

**RENEWAL OF JUDGMENT ACT**

2011 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

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**LONG TITLE****General Description:**

This bill establishes a fee for renewal of judgments.

**Highlighted Provisions:**

This bill:

- ▶ establishes a fee for renewal of judgments; and
- ▶ makes technical corrections.

**Monies Appropriated in this Bill:**

None

**Other Special Clauses:**

None

**Utah Code Sections Affected:**

AMENDS:

**78A-2-301**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2010, Chapters 278 and 283

**78B-6-209**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2010, Chapter 278

ENACTS:

**78B-6-1801**, Utah Code Annotated 1953

**78B-6-1802**, Utah Code Annotated 1953

**78B-6-1803**, Utah Code Annotated 1953

**78B-6-1804**, Utah Code Annotated 1953

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*Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:*

Section 1. Section **78A-2-301** is amended to read:

**78A-2-301. Civil fees of the courts of record -- Courts complex design.**

(1) (a) The fee for filing any civil complaint or petition invoking the jurisdiction of a court of record not governed by another subsection is \$360.

(b) The fee for filing a complaint or petition is:

(i) \$75 if the claim for damages or amount in interpleader exclusive of court costs,

interest, and attorney fees is \$2,000 or less;

(ii) \$185 if the claim for damages or amount in interpleader exclusive of court costs, interest, and attorney fees is greater than \$2,000 and less than \$10,000;

(iii) \$360 if the claim for damages or amount in interpleader is \$10,000 or more;

(iv) \$310 if the petition is filed under Title 30, Chapter 3, Divorce, or Title 30, Chapter 4, Separate Maintenance; and

(v) \$35 for a motion for temporary separation order filed under Section 30-3-4.5.

(c) The fee for filing a small claims affidavit is:

(i) \$60 if the claim for damages or amount in interpleader exclusive of court costs, interest, and attorney fees is \$2,000 or less;

(ii) \$100 if the claim for damages or amount in interpleader exclusive of court costs, interest, and attorney fees is greater than \$2,000, but less than \$7,500; and

(iii) \$185 if the claim for damages or amount in interpleader exclusive of court costs, interest, and attorney fees is \$7,500 or more.

(d) The fee for filing a counter claim, cross claim, complaint in intervention, third party complaint, or other claim for relief against an existing or joined party other than the original complaint or petition is:

(i) \$55 if the claim for relief exclusive of court costs, interest, and attorney fees is \$2,000 or less;

(ii) \$150 if the claim for relief exclusive of court costs, interest, and attorney fees is greater than \$2,000 and less than \$10,000;

(iii) \$155 if the original petition is filed under Subsection (1)(a), the claim for relief is \$10,000 or more, or the party seeks relief other than monetary damages; and

(iv) \$115 if the original petition is filed under Title 30, Chapter 3, Divorce, or Title 30, Chapter 4, Separate Maintenance.

(e) The fee for filing a small claims counter affidavit is:

(i) \$50 if the claim for relief exclusive of court costs, interest, and attorney fees is \$2,000 or less;

(ii) \$70 if the claim for relief exclusive of court costs, interest, and attorney fees is greater than \$2,000, but less than \$7,500; and

(iii) \$120 if the claim for relief exclusive of court costs, interest, and attorney fees is

64 \$7,500 or more.

65 (f) The fee for depositing funds under Section 57-1-29 when not associated with an  
66 action already before the court is determined under Subsection (1)(b) based on the amount  
67 deposited.

68 (g) The fee for filing a petition is:

69 (i) \$225 for trial de novo of an adjudication of the justice court or of the small claims  
70 department; and

71 (ii) \$65 for an appeal of a municipal administrative determination in accordance with  
72 Section 10-3-703.7.

73 (h) The fee for filing a notice of appeal, petition for appeal of an interlocutory order, or  
74 petition for writ of certiorari is \$225.

75 (i) The fee for filing a petition for expungement is \$135.

76 (j) (i) Fifteen dollars of the fees established by Subsections (1)(a) through (i) shall be  
77 allocated to and between the Judges' Contributory Retirement Trust Fund and the Judges'  
78 Noncontributory Retirement Trust Fund, as provided in Title 49, Chapter 17, Judges'  
79 Contributory Retirement Act, and Title 49, Chapter 18, Judges' Noncontributory Retirement  
80 Act.

81 (ii) Four dollars of the fees established by Subsections (1)(a) through (i) shall be  
82 allocated by the state treasurer to be deposited in the restricted account, Children's Legal  
83 Defense Account, as provided in Section 51-9-408.

84 (iii) Three dollars of the fees established under Subsections (1)(a) through (e), (1)(g),  
85 and (1)(~~+~~)(s) shall be allocated to and deposited with the Dispute Resolution Account as  
86 provided in Section 78B-6-209.

87 (iv) Fifteen dollars of the fees established by Subsections (1)(a), (1)(b)(iii) and (iv),  
88 (1)(d)(iii) and (iv), (1)(g)(ii), (1)(h), and (1)(i) shall be allocated by the state treasurer to be  
89 deposited in the restricted account, Court Security Account, as provided in Section 78A-2-602.

90 (v) Five dollars of the fees established by Subsections (1)(b)(i) and (ii), (1)(d)(ii) and  
91 (1)(g)(i) shall be allocated by the state treasurer to be deposited in the restricted account, Court  
92 Security Account, as provided in Section 78A-2-602.

93 (k) The fee for filing a judgment, order, or decree of a court of another state or of the  
94 United States is \$35.

95            (l) The fee for filing a renewal of judgment in accordance with Section 78B-6-1701 is  
96    \$35.

97            ~~(f)~~ (m) The fee for filing probate or child custody documents from another state is  
98    \$35.

99            ~~(m)~~ (n) (i) The fee for filing an abstract or transcript of judgment, order, or decree of  
100   the Utah State Tax Commission is \$30.

101            (ii) The fee for filing an abstract or transcript of judgment of a court of law of this state  
102   or a judgment, order, or decree of an administrative agency, commission, board, council, or  
103   hearing officer of this state or of its political subdivisions other than the Utah State Tax  
104   Commission, is \$50.

105            ~~(n)~~ (o) The fee for filing a judgment by confession without action under Section  
106   78B-5-205 is \$35.

107            ~~(o)~~ (p) The fee for filing an award of arbitration for confirmation, modification, or  
108   vacation under Title 78B, Chapter 11, Utah Uniform Arbitration Act, that is not part of an  
109   action before the court is \$35.

110            ~~(p)~~ (q) The fee for filing a petition or counter-petition to modify a decree of divorce is  
111   \$100.

112            ~~(q)~~ (r) The fee for filing any accounting required by law is:

113            (i) \$15 for an estate valued at \$50,000 or less;

114            (ii) \$30 for an estate valued at \$75,000 or less but more than \$50,000;

115            (iii) \$50 for an estate valued at \$112,000 or less but more than \$75,000;

116            (iv) \$90 for an estate valued at \$168,000 or less but more than \$112,000; and

117            (v) \$175 for an estate valued at more than \$168,000.

118            ~~(r)~~ (s) The fee for filing a demand for a civil jury is \$250.

119            ~~(s)~~ (t) The fee for filing a notice of deposition in this state concerning an action  
120   pending in another state under Utah Rule of Civil Procedure 26 is \$35.

121            ~~(t)~~ (u) The fee for filing documents that require judicial approval but are not part of  
122   an action before the court is \$35.

123            ~~(u)~~ (v) The fee for a petition to open a sealed record is \$35.

124            ~~(v)~~ (w) The fee for a writ of replevin, attachment, execution, or garnishment is \$50 in  
125   addition to any fee for a complaint or petition.

126           ~~[(w)]~~ (x) (i) The fee for a petition for authorization for a minor to marry required by  
127 Section 30-1-9 is \$5.

128           (ii) The fee for a petition for emancipation of a minor provided in Title 78A, Chapter 6,  
129 Part 8, Emancipation, is \$50.

130           ~~[(x)]~~ (y) The fee for a certificate issued under Section 26-2-25 is \$8.

131           ~~[(y)]~~ (z) The fee for a certified copy of a document is \$4 per document plus 50 cents  
132 per page.

133           ~~[(z)]~~ (aa) The fee for an exemplified copy of a document is \$6 per document plus 50  
134 cents per page.

135           ~~[(aa)]~~ (bb) The Judicial Council shall by rule establish a schedule of fees for copies of  
136 documents and forms and for the search and retrieval of records under Title 63G, Chapter 2,  
137 Government Records Access and Management Act. Fees under this Subsection (1)~~[(aa)]~~(bb)  
138 shall be credited to the court as a reimbursement of expenditures.

139           ~~[(bb)]~~ (cc) There is no fee for services or the filing of documents not listed in this  
140 section or otherwise provided by law.

141           ~~[(cc)]~~ (dd) Except as provided in this section, all fees collected under this section are  
142 paid to the General Fund. Except as provided in this section, all fees shall be paid at the time  
143 the clerk accepts the pleading for filing or performs the requested service.

144           ~~[(dd)]~~ (ee) The filing fees under this section may not be charged to the state, its  
145 agencies, or political subdivisions filing or defending any action. In judgments awarded in  
146 favor of the state, its agencies, or political subdivisions, except the Office of Recovery  
147 Services, the court shall order the filing fees and collection costs to be paid by the judgment  
148 debtor. The sums collected under this Subsection (1)~~[(dd)]~~(ee) shall be applied to the fees after  
149 credit to the judgment, order, fine, tax, lien, or other penalty and costs permitted by law.

150           (2) (a) (i) From March 17, 1994 until June 30, 1998, the administrator of the courts  
151 shall transfer all revenues representing the difference between the fees in effect after May 2,  
152 1994, and the fees in effect before February 1, 1994, as dedicated credits to the Division of  
153 Facilities Construction and Management Capital Projects Fund.

154           (ii) (A) Except as provided in Subsection (2)(a)(ii)(B), the Division of Facilities  
155 Construction and Management shall use up to \$3,750,000 of the revenue deposited in the  
156 Capital Projects Fund under this Subsection (2)(a) to design and take other actions necessary to

157 initiate the development of a courts complex in Salt Lake City.

158 (B) If the Legislature approves funding for construction of a courts complex in Salt  
159 Lake City in the 1995 Annual General Session, the Division of Facilities Construction and  
160 Management shall use the revenue deposited in the Capital Projects Fund under this Subsection  
161 (2)(a)(ii) to construct a courts complex in Salt Lake City.

162 (C) After the courts complex is completed and all bills connected with its construction  
163 have been paid, the Division of Facilities Construction and Management shall use any money  
164 remaining in the Capital Projects Fund under this Subsection (2)(a)(ii) to fund the Vernal  
165 District Court building.

166 (iii) The Division of Facilities Construction and Management may enter into  
167 agreements and make expenditures related to this project before the receipt of revenues  
168 provided for under this Subsection (2)(a)(iii).

169 (iv) The Division of Facilities Construction and Management shall:

170 (A) make those expenditures from unexpended and unencumbered building funds  
171 already appropriated to the Capital Projects Fund; and

172 (B) reimburse the Capital Projects Fund upon receipt of the revenues provided for  
173 under this Subsection (2).

174 (b) After June 30, 1998, the administrator of the courts shall ensure that all revenues  
175 representing the difference between the fees in effect after May 2, 1994, and the fees in effect  
176 before February 1, 1994, are transferred to the Division of Finance for deposit in the restricted  
177 account.

178 (c) The Division of Finance shall deposit all revenues received from the court  
179 administrator into the restricted account created by this section.

180 (d) (i) From May 1, 1995 until June 30, 1998, the administrator of the courts shall  
181 transfer \$7 of the amount of a fine or bail forfeiture paid for a violation of Title 41, Motor  
182 Vehicles, in a court of record to the Division of Facilities Construction and Management  
183 Capital Projects Fund. The division of money pursuant to Section 78A-5-110 shall be  
184 calculated on the balance of the fine or bail forfeiture paid.

185 (ii) After June 30, 1998, the administrator of the courts or a municipality shall transfer  
186 \$7 of the amount of a fine or bail forfeiture paid for a violation of Title 41, Motor Vehicles, in  
187 a court of record to the Division of Finance for deposit in the restricted account created by this

188 section. The division of money pursuant to Section 78A-5-110 shall be calculated on the  
189 balance of the fine or bail forfeiture paid.

190 (3) (a) There is created within the General Fund a restricted account known as the State  
191 Courts Complex Account.

192 (b) The Legislature may appropriate money from the restricted account to the  
193 administrator of the courts for the following purposes only:

194 (i) to repay costs associated with the construction of the court complex that were  
195 funded from sources other than revenues provided for under this Subsection (3)(b)(i); and

196 (ii) to cover operations and maintenance costs on the court complex.

197 Section 2. Section **78B-6-209** is amended to read:

198 **78B-6-209. Dispute Resolution Restricted Account -- Appropriation.**

199 There is created a restricted account within the General Fund known as the "Dispute  
200 Resolution Account." Three dollars of the fees established in Subsections 78A-2-301(1)(a)  
201 through (e), (1)(g), and (1)(~~r~~)(s) shall be allocated to and deposited in the restricted account.  
202 The Legislature shall annually appropriate money from the Dispute Resolution Account to the  
203 Administrative Office of the Courts to implement the purposes of the Alternative Dispute  
204 Resolution Act.

205 Section 3. Section **78B-6-1801** is enacted to read:

206 **Part 18. Renewal of Judgment Act**

207 **78B-6-1801. Title.**

208 This part is known as the "Renewal of Judgment Act."

209 Section 4. Section **78B-6-1802** is enacted to read:

210 **78B-6-1802. Renewal by motion.**

211 A judge of a court of record may renew a judgment if:

212 (1) a motion is filed with the court within the original action;

213 (2) the motion is filed before the statute of limitations on the original judgment expires;

214 and

215 (3) the motion includes an affidavit that contains an accounting of the original  
216 judgment and all post judgment costs, attorney fees, payments, credits, and other adjustments  
217 which are provided for by law or are contained within the original judgment.

218 Section 5. Section **78B-6-1803** is enacted to read:

219 **78B-6-1803. Notice.**

220 Notice of a motion for renewal of judgment is served in accordance with the Rules of

221 Civil Procedure.

222 Section 6. Section **78B-6-1804** is enacted to read:

223 **78B-6-1804. Date and duration of judgment.**

224 Upon granting a motion for the renewal of judgment, the court shall enter a new

225 judgment which shall be valid from the date of entry in accordance with Section 78B-2-311.